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FOR BRAD TYRELL SAD/OIM/BIC AND PETER HALE CAGNE/OIM/BIC

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SUBJ: DAMASCUS INTERNATIONAL FAIR - 1975

1. DUSEX URGENTLY REQUIRES REPLIES TO PARA 5 AND 6 OF
DAMASCUS 2920 AND OTHER INFORMATION IN RESPONSE TO LATER
CABLES CONCERNING FOCO.

2. DUSEX WILL TELEPHONE TYRELL AT 8:30 A.M. WASHINGTON
LOCAL TIME WEDNESDAY AUGUST 13 TO DISCUSS 1974 FINAL
REPORT AND EXHIBITORS FORMS IN ADDITION TO OTHER PENDING
MATTERS. HOWEVER PREFER INFORMATION IN PARA 1 THIS
MESSAGE IN CABLED FORMFOR RECORD.

3. EXHIBITION PRORESSING NORMALLY WITHOUT UNUSUAL PROBLEMS.
HAVE SCHZDULED INFORMAL MEETING WITH AMBASSADOR MURPHY AND
BEIRUT PRINCIPALS OF EXHIBITING COMPANIES FOR WEDNESDAY
AUGUST 13 AT MIDDAY IN PAVILION. OBJECTIVE IS TO OBTAIN
READINGS FROM EXHIBITORS ON SUCCESSES TO DATE AND REVITALIZE
THEM FOR FINAL WEEK.

4. REGARDING FOCO'S POTENTIAL LIABILITY TO UNION OF ARTISTS
FOR PERCENTAGE OF CONTRACT FEE, DOES USDOC PREFER THIS BE
DEDUCTED FROM FINAL PAYMENT AS SUGGESTED IN HAFEZ'
MEMORANDUM, AND WE CAN HOLD FOR REASONABLE PERIOD OF PERHAPS
60 DAYS? IF FOCO ADJUDGED LIABLE THEN IN THEIR PHYSICAL
ABSENCE U.S. GOVERNMENT IMMEDIATELY RESPONSIBLE FOR PAYMENT
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THIS FEE AND WE WOULD HAVE TO REQUEST REIMBURSEMENT FROM

FOCO AT LATER DATE.

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